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because the fault is yours for marrying these worthless men in the first place. All of what I've said has a bearing on what we're doing this morning, if we adopt this amendment. Senator Kristensen probably wishes I hadn't extended the discussion. Senator Tyson probably feels it's pointless, but I think it's very important and I would advise him to get a copy of the transcript and read it, and when he reads it, he'll wish that every place it says Tyson as the one speaking, they'll put Chambers, and every place where it says Chambers, he'll hope they...he'll wish they put Tyson.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the constitutional amendment? Seeing none, Senator Kristensen, you're recognized to close.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President and members of the Legislature. Obviously, the discussion that has ensued this morning is sort of on the sidelines of some of the bantering, but the true issue here is, shall we undertake the opportunity that we have to make the constitution gender neutral? To give you a reference, can it be done? If you look at the United States Constitution, as old as that is and the way it was written, there are very few references to "he", very few in the original constitution. If you take every amendment that's been made to the United States Constitution since its inception, every one of them, there is only one reference to "he" in every one of the amendments. I'm not so sure that's not a he and a she, but it can be done. It has been done, and that's the preferential way and the correct way to do it, and I hope you agree, and I'd ask you to advance 11CA to E & R Initial.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. You've heard the closing. The question is the advancement of LR 11CA to E & R. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on the advancement of LR 11. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 2 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LR 11CA.

SENATOR CROSBY: LR 11CA advances. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Landis offers LB 61. (Read